# U.S. Environmental Protection Agency Collaborative Science and Technology Network for Sustainability Progress Review Workshop

Embassy Suites Downtown Washington, DC Consulate/Ambassador Room 1250 22nd Street, NW Washington, DC 22037

December 5-6, 2006

#### **AGENDA**

### Tuesday, December 5, 2006

8:30 a.m. – 8:50 a.m. Welcome

Gary Foley, Director, National Center for Environmental Research (NCER), Office of Research and Development (ORD), U.S.

Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)

8:50 a.m. – 9:00 a.m. Introduction to the Meeting

Diana Bauer, NCER, ORD, EPA Iris Goodman, NCER, ORD, EPA

9:00 a.m. – 10:30 a.m. Project Presentations (15 minutes per project)

Integrating Water Supply Management and Ecological Flow Water

Requirements

Mark Smith, The Nature Conservancy

Cuyahoga Sustainability Network

Stuart Schwartz, University of Maryland-Baltimore County

Ecological Sustainability in Rapidly Urbanizing Watersheds: Evaluating

Strategies Designed To Mitigate Impacts on Stream Ecosystems

Margaret Palmer, University of Maryland

Meosotis Curtis, Montgomery County Department of Environmental

Protection

Laura Craig, University of Maryland

Harnessing the Hydrologic Disturbance Regime: Sustaining Multiple

Benefits in Large River Floodplains in the Pacific Northwest

Stanley Gregory, Oregon State University

Tuesday, December 5, 2006 (Continued)

Sustainability of Land Use in Puerto Rico Antonio Gonzalez Toro, Universidad Metropolitana Jose Rivera Santana, Universidad Metropolitana

Industrial Ecology, Pollution Prevention, and the New York/New Jersey Harbor

Sandra Valle, New York Academy of Sciences

10:30 a.m. – 10:45 a.m. Break

10:45 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. Project Presentations (continued)

Moving Toward Sustainable Manufacturing Through Efficient Materials and Energy Use

Rick Reibstein, Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection

Multi-Objective Decision Model for Urban Water Use: Planning for a Regional Water Re-Use Ordinance Paul Anderson, Illinois Institute of Technology

Transforming Office Parks to Transit Villages *Steve Raney, Cities21* 

Using Market Forces To Implement Sustainable Storm Water Management

Jim Middaugh, City of Portland

Sustainable Watershed Management in the Delaware River Basin Kenneth Najjar, Delaware River Basin Commission Pamela V'Combe, Delaware River Basin Commission

Sustainable Sandhills: A Plan for Regional Sustainability Jon Parsons, Sustainable Sandhills Susan Pulsipher, North Carolina Department of Commerce

Bringing Global Thinking to Local Sustainability Efforts: A Collaborative Project for the Boston Metropolitan Region *James Goldstein, Tellus Institute*Chella Rajan, Tellus Institute

12:30 p.m. – 2:00 p.m. Lunch

Tuesday, December 5, 2006 (Continued)

Tuesday afternoon and Wednesday morning are devoted to a series of panel sessions in which panelists will summarize points raised by presenters as they relate to the panel topics. The summaries will be designed to frame questions for discussion by the entire group.

#### 2:00 p.m. – 3:30 p.m. Panel 1: Ecosystem Services

How have ecosystem services been affected in urbanizing areas? How can modeling and decision-support tools be used to identify and quantify ecosystem services? ... to understand trade-offs among them? ... to proactively manage to conserve these services?

Stanley Gregory, Oregon State University Mark Smith, The Nature Conservancy Margaret Palmer, University of Maryland

Robert Wolcott, EPA, Office of Policy, Economics, and Innovation

James Boyd, Resources for the Future

3:30 p.m. – 3:45 p.m. Break

## 3:45 p.m. – 5:15 p.m. Panel 2: Industrial Ecology

What models and tools are most useful to understand and prioritize opportunities to prevent pollution and use materials, energy, and water effectively? What data are required? When does action at the industrial level translate to benefits at a regional scale? What types of future scenarios are most useful?

Gordon Evans, EPA, ORD, National Risk Management Research Laboratory

Pricilla Halloran, EPA, Office of Solid Waste and Emergency Response Rick Reibstein, Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection Paul Anderson, Illinois Institute of Technology

5:15 p.m. Close

Wednesday, December 6, 2006

8:30 a.m. – 10:00 am. Panel 3: Creating Policy

What are the range of policy instruments available? What are the

strategies and approaches for creating policy?

Jim Middaugh, City of Portland James Goldstein, Tellus Institute

Steve Ranev. Cities 21

Jamal Kadri, EPA, Office of Water

10:00 a.m. – 10:15 a.m. Break

Wednesday, December 6, 2006 (Continued)

**10:15 a.m. – 11:45 a.m. Panel 4: Involving the Public** 

How do you bring the public, local government, and nonprofits into understanding problems and potential solutions and opportunities? How can effective, proactive decisions be made in diverse groups? 
Pamela V'Combe, Delaware River Basin Commission
Stuart Schwartz, University of Maryland–Baltimore County
Leanne Nurse, EPA, Office of Policy, Economics, and Innovation
Harry Lewis, EPA, Office of Prevention, Pesticides and Toxic
Substances

11:45 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. Lunch

1:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. Individual Project Meetings at EPA

5:00 p.m. Adjourn